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The new DSA president is Howard Elliott, second-year Journalism

Canada Manpower assists students with search for summer employment

There are some problems that afflict students particularly and one of them is the annual trauma of finding a summer job.

Students who find themselves facing that problem around this time of year may take comfort in the knowledge that there is a place where help is available.

That place is the Canada Manpower Centre for Students in Kitchener. The student manpower centre is a branch of the federal ministry of manpower and immigration. Locally it operates with a committee of citizens, two of whom are Aldermen from Waterloo.

Carolynne Hood is a graduate assistant who works for the centre.

"We are specifically designed to help students try to find summer jobs — of any description," Mrs. Hood said.

The centre covers the whole scope of summer employment, from full time jobs in factories and retail stores to picking fruit, cutting lawns and other kinds of casual part-time employment.

The centre was first opened in

1970, and since then it has grown in popularity and in effectiveness.

"Everyone I've met so far is very co-operative. Most employers seem to be really concerned about providing summer employment," Mrs. Hood said. "So far I haven't run into any prejudice against students to speak of."

The largest part of Mrs. Hood's job consists of going around to prospective employers, explaining the purpose of the centre to them and encouraging them to consider students for their summer employment needs.

"I try to cover as many prospective employers as possible. We cover the smaller areas like Elmira and New Hamburg as well as the larger municipalities," she said.

Karen Taylor is the other half of the present staff of the student manpower centre.

Her job is to talk to the students who come into the office, do the clerical portion of the work, and interview students to find out what fields they are interested and best suited to work in.

"Right now we're processing

about 20 applications a day, but that's no indication of what it will be like for the whole time. The largest portion of our applicants will start coming in before much longer," Mrs. Taylor said.

Both Mrs. Hood and Mrs. Taylor agree that students wishing to apply for work at the manpower centre should come in and apply as soon as possible.

They also recommend that students who apply at the centre go out and look for jobs on their own as well as using the student manpower centre.

The student manpower centre is not the ultimate cure for the "can't find a job" blues. Students who are serious about finding summer employment must be willing to work for themselves as well as use the centre's facilities.

"Persistence is the most important thing to remember when looking for a summer job," Mrs. Hood advises.

"I think students should examine every alternative when looking for a summer job — and we're just another source of information."

CONESTOGA LUNCHPAILS VISIT THE MOLSON BREWERY AND PARK IN BARRIE

by Dave Adams



Refreshments in the hospitality room after a hard morning of skiing.



Al, Angelo, Niki, Bonnie, Rick, Randy and Jo stop for the 100th time in approximately 400 yards

1977-78 DSA president and vice president

13.3 per cent of Conestoga's student body voted in the DSA elections held last Thursday and Friday. Howard Elliott, second-year Journalism, defeated John Body, second year Business Administration, in the presidential race. The new vice-president is Patricia Miller, General Arts and Science, who defeated Gerry Daley, first year Business Administration.

Scott Heal and Al Laundry, 76-77 DSA executive, said that the 13.3 per cent participation was an average for elections at Conestoga. It is also an approximate average for the 22 Community Colleges in Ontario.

There was a small turnout for the candidates' speeches in the student lounge last Thursday. Those present, though, seemed genuinely concerned, and questioned the candidates extensively after the speeches.

The principle issues were the problems of communication between the Doon Student Association and the student body, and the ways in which DSA executive might spur action on Conestoga's hoped-for athletic complex.

"I'm pleased with the results of the election," said Al Laundry former DSA president. "Any combination of the four candidates involved would have been good for the student association, so I feel that we've benefited all around," he said.

Former vice-president Scott Heal said that he was pleased to see the enthusiasm surrounding the election. "Even though 13 per cent doesn't seem high," said Heal, "even those who didn't know about it were willing to get into it." He concluded that there is a lot to be said about the communication between the DSA and students.

Al Laundry expresses the hope that both John Body and Gerry Daley get involved with the DSA next year. "It would be a great loss if they didn't," he said.



The vice-president, Patricia Miller is in her graduating year of GAS. Next year she will be in first year Journalism.



It is that time of the year again. The sun is warm on your back and face, the rivers are free from ice for the first time in months, and the palms of your hands just itch to look at them.

Three years ago, a person drowned on the day of the race. According to student activities chairman, Rob Cressman, this person was not entered in the race, but it has given the race

one in the race must be wearing a CSA approved jacket, or they will be removed from the water. He noted that one person last year was hassled because he was wearing a PFD, or personal

Canoeists should be cautious

By Don Stoneman

No, this is not ordinary spring fever. It is called canoeing fever, and it comes to a head every April in the many canoe races that occur in the rivers in this part of the province.

Certainly not the least of these races from our standpoint is the Conestoga College Spring Thaw Canoe Race. It is run annually from the village of Conestoga down about 22 miles of the Grand River, ending at Pinnacle Drive just a quarter mile from the Royal Bank in Doon.

Every year the race attracts about 100 boats in two classes, canoe and junk. Junk is anything floating that is not a canoe.

Prizes this year will be sponsored by Labatts, as well as by the DSA. The entry fee is \$5 and all funds raised go into the athletic complex trust fund.

somewhat of a black name among canoe racers anyway.

On this year's race date, April 16, the river will be carefully observed to ensure no further accidents occur.

Cressman said that members of REACT, a Kitchener based Citizen Band Radio Club dedicated to helping people in emergencies will be stationed on the course to make certain no one gets lost.

The Waterloo Regional Police, as well as the St. John's ambulance will be present, to make sure no one entered in the race has been drinking or is carrying liquor. Anyone caught drinking during the race will be disqualified.

Cressman also said that CSA approved lifejackets are to be worn by every participant. Every-

floatation device.

The \$5 entry fee also allows participants into the pub

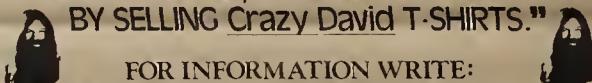
Even though the weather is sunny and bright, and the river is clear, don't be in too much of a hurry to get your icky hands on a paddle.

The Grand River is still high and much of the water in it is melted snow, and very cold.

One person who works for the Grand River Conservation Authority says that anyone who goes out on the water in March is very foolish. A person can't last long in that cold water. He said that he has worked on conservation authorities long enough that every time he sees an upside down canoe in the water he is almost sick to his stomach. He has pulled too many stiffs out of the water for his liking.

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opinion

Dial-a-ride offers alternative

My ambiguous feelings about buses are ever changing. The joy of strolling up to a bus stop at the precise moment the bus arrives is parallel to the joy of having a 20-inch story actually fit the 20 inch space it was allotted for.

I have yet to encounter any horror equal, though to the experience of waiting 25 minutes in a howling blizzard to make a transfer from one hour-long bus ride to another.

It's difficult to be rational at moments like that. It's cold, you're late for class. Where is that bus!

That is when I have to take hold and remind myself of the not too distant past, when the only way that one

could get from Fairview Mall to Conestoga College was to stand hopefully on the street with thumb outstretched.

The drivers of the Dial-a-Bus Zone B route have to traverse the 5 1/2 mile route from Fairview to the college on almost every run they make, of which there are two an hour.

The 45 cent charge is nominal when the transit's expenses are taken into consideration.

It seemed logical to me that the transit would at one time institute a shuttle run to the college, one that wouldn't go over hill and dale dropping

housewives before coming to the college. It is inconvenient, too, for the non-student patrons of the Dial-a-Bus to have to sit through detours to the school before they can go wherever they are headed.

The deciding factor, of course, is cost. Mr. Becker of Kitchener Transit said the prohibitive cost restricts their ability to get more manpower equipment and vehicles.

All inconvenience aside, the three-year-old Dial-a-Bus system is doing very well, thank you. It's reassuring for the non-driver to know that a way home is within telephone reach. The phone number for the Dial-a-Bus is 579-1200.



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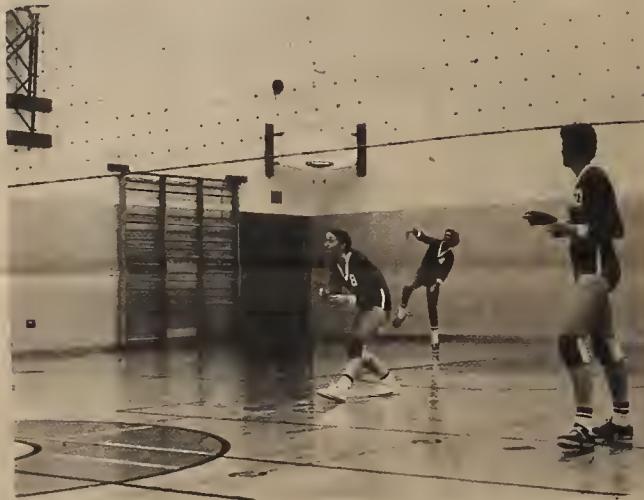
Conestoga team second in volleyball



Wanda Williams serves the ball



Carol McIntyre spikes the ball



Cathy Stauffer serves as Carol McIntyre and Sandi Jonas anticipate the return

Ending the season in second place is not bad for Conestoga considering they have won every match they've had this year.

In sudden death semi-finals at Laurel Vocational Institute in Waterloo, the Conestoga girls volleyball team defeated St. Clair College, Thames Campus, 3 games to 2, in a match that almost became a give away.

The first game was a total loss for St. Clair as they got beaten royally by Conestoga. The second game was tighter with St. Clair sizing the team up. Conestoga managed to win by two points.

The third game was a walk away for St. Clair, as the

Conestoga girls did everything but trip over each other, to lose the game. The fourth game was almost as bad and the meagre cheering section from the college became suddenly quiet as they watched Conestoga throw another one out the window.

In a final effort that frayed nerves and caused teeth to grit, Conestoga made the big push defeating St. Clair 15 to 1, to move on the the OCAA Finals.

At OCAA, Conestoga remained triumphant until meeting defeat at the hands of Algonquin College. Conestoga is second in the entire college volleyball circuit.

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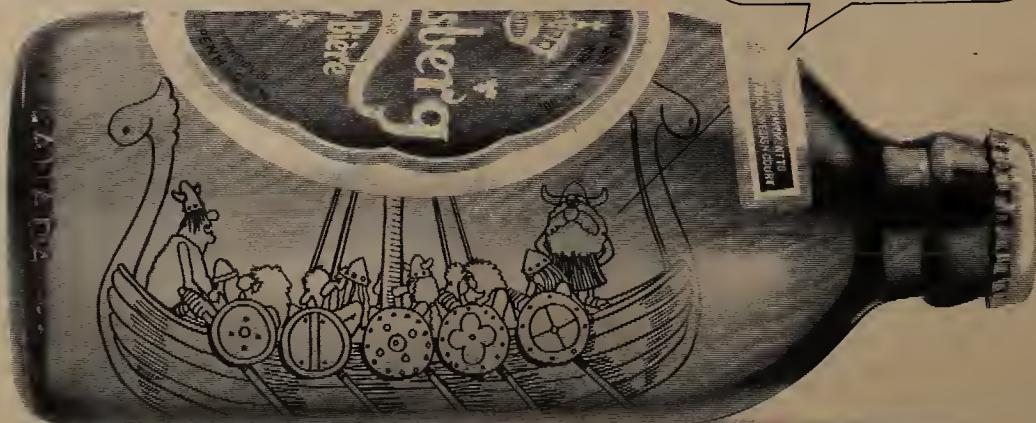
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Music is noble art

By Marg Russell

At one time, a woman composer was described as "a dog walking on its hind legs; it's not done well and they're surprised to see it can be done at all."

This misconception that women cannot compose music has lasted throughout centuries, yet the tune "Happy Birthday," sung countless times during everyone's lifetime, was composed by Mildred Hill in 1892.

Women in Music was the topic discussed at the K-W Library Tuesday as part of the Conestoga College Women's lecture series.

Panelists were Dr. Christine Mather, Dean of the Faculty of Music at Wilfrid Laurier University; Professor Anne C. Hall, Director of the theory program in the Faculty of Music; Professor Jacqueline Richard, director of the Opera program and Colleen Schnarr, concert mistress of K-W youth symphony or-

chestra.

This negative feeling extends beyond women composers. Until recently, women were not allowed to play in European symphony orchestras.

Prof. Richard was the first woman opera coach in Germany. "Most of the trouble came from my colleagues," she said.

"Music is an ancient, noble art," said Dr. Mather. "I hope we can change the attitude here. It shouldn't be necessary for a boy to hide his violin case from his friends. The violin is a noble instrument. You should be proud you can play it."

They all emphasized the fact that talent is not necessary to be a musician. Dr. Mather felt talent could be an obstacle, allowing the person to learn too much too fast so he gave up later.

Prof. Richard described an instrument as a "Vehicle for making music."

The panelists hoped to see more students studying music in the future. They described musicology as the "scholarly study of music," emphasizing that it provides a very good education. The graduate must be a performer, teacher of theory and history, music critic and someone of great versatility capable of speaking four or five languages.

Music plays an important part in schools in Waterloo. Howard LeRoy, music co-ordinator for the county, all 13 high schools have bands and two have orchestras. String instruments are introduced in 25 grade six classes.

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Sarah Hamilton not suitable as pub band

Story and photo by Dave Buresik

Sarah Hamilton is a singer with power and control in some cases, but she seldom uses the control.

The band is a cross between progressive jazz and hard rock. The piano playing is reminiscent of Stan Kenton, the drumming has a Gary and the Pacemakers feel about it. The guitarist is a cross between Jimmy Page and Merle Travis. This man has lots of taste and a bucket full of style.

To top off the whole thing, there was a flute player, not a flautist — he wasn't that good — who doubled on congas just to look busy while he wasn't playing flute.

The sound was tight, bright and loud. It was just too loud for

the type of material they were playing. The people didn't appreciate it because the distortion from their inadequate public address system became intolerable as things continued. It became a battle early in the game, to see if you could talk loudly enough to the person next to you to forget the band.

Sarah Hamilton could be and probably is a dynamic performer in small clubs and bars, but playing a place as large as the cafeteria is just not her style.

The whole style of the band was out of the college circuit class. They weren't disco, they weren't rock, they weren't Garfield and they weren't very good.

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ECE program is thriving



Children play outside in an activity-filled day at the ECE center

by P. John Bird

The Early Childhood Education (ECE) Centre at Conestoga College is a large, new building specially designed for its function. It is a friendly building, with a warm brown exterior matched by an equally low-key interior. Carpeting and sound baffles keep the atmosphere inside quiet and intimate and not at all frightening for a pre-school child.

It wasn't always like this according to Donna Smuck, coordinator of the Early Childhood Education Centre and program.

The program, which has been in existence for as long as Conestoga College itself, made its debut as a part-time evening course offered one night a week at Preston High School. Before Conestoga College had any buildings at all.

Later, when the course became full-time, the program was conducted in the 130-year-old farm house that used to stand in front of the barn on Doon Valley Drive just past the college's number one parking lot.

The ECE program moved into its present quarters in 1973 and the farmhouse has since been torn down.

Ms. Smuck feels that the ECE's isolation from the rest of the college works to the advantage of the children staying in daycare. Because they are not subject to a constant stream of students swirling around them on their way from one class to another, they find the adjustment to the new and strange world of day care easier to make.

It's a disadvantage for the students though, she admits, as they are not as encouraged to get involved in any of the social activities that the rest of the college enjoys. "It's harder on the students than anyone," and some adjust better than others.

The two-year ECE program offered at Conestoga has about 108 students enrolled in it right now. They spend two days a week for three semesters in field placements and the rest of the time is spent in studies at the campus.

Two days a week during one semester are spent working in the college lab school under the teachers' supervision.

To look after the 108 students, there is a faculty of four, along with one cook and one secretary. A teaching support staff of eight helps to manage the day-care centre.

The same building (the ECE centre) also houses a diagnostic pre-school program to look at the special needs of some children, which is run on a cooperative basis with Kitchener-Waterloo Hospital. There are an additional four people on the staff of that program.

"The employment situation for graduates has been good until now say Ms. Smuck, "Anyone who wanted a job got a job." She believes that the situation will keep on in much the same vein but points out that quite a bit depends on the economic and the political situation.

It varies with the degree to which the government continues to support daycare centres. That is difficult to project she says, but even if there is no great increase in support there should be no decrease.

The program takes an active role in helping its students to find work after graduation. They are sending students out for field placement so they keep close in touch with other day care centres and they try to match specific jobs with the students who are suited to them. In addition they try to keep close tabs on the job market so they are aware of all positions that come up.

Ms. Smuck is well pleased with the ECE program as it stands now. It has a good reputation in the community at large she says, and this helps graduates to find work.

She foresees no major changes in the program in the near future either. She is also pleased with its size. Based on the current job market, she doesn't think it would be advisable to either increase or decrease the program.

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Counselling keeps Al Logan busy

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Al Logan is head of student services at Conestoga College. He left the ministry nine years ago because he felt the church could not use his real talent, working with people on a personal level.

"I wanted to get into the depth and frustration of human feelings," said Al. "I couldn't pursue this in congregational work and felt inept as a counsellor."

Logan said that student problems haven't changed since he began counselling at the school.

"The way the problems are acted out is different, however," he said. "At the school consists of male and female, as some students relate the major 'out' for students with better to one sex than the other problems."

"Your couldn't walk down the halls without smelling marijuana," Logan said.

Logan said the counselling staff at the school consists of male and female, as some students relate the major 'out' for students with better to one sex than the other problems.

"I prefer girls," he said.

Today, other than his job at the school, Logan gives family on an exchange basis with a teacher in another country.

"Sometimes I wonder if this job is becoming a drag. Actually I have never been happier than referrals from doctors and working here. I can't think of any ministers in the Cambridge area. place I'd rather be."

Logan would like to try work

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Student services head, Al Logan. To improve his counselling talent Logan took various courses at universities in Toronto and in the United States. Other than his background of nine years as a parish minister and six years as a hospital chaplin, he has done counselling at children's and mental hospitals and in jails.

Logan's duties at the college include health services, student counselling and placement, and teaching criminology.

"I find my religious background a help at the school," said Logan. "The common problem of grief can't be dealt with on a secular level, but them, again, I don't preach."

Help for victims of heart attack

By Dianne Pugh

CPR System. Do you know what it means? CPR stands for Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation. It is a system set up to keep a heart attack patient alive until an ambulance arrives.

The CPR System, more commonly known as Code Blue, was recently set up in the college by David Fries, registered nurse and chairman of the Royal Lifesaving Society.

David trained about a dozen staff members in the art of handling a Code Blue situation. To train them he uses a CPR dummy (valued at \$1300) for them to practise heart massage and artificial respiration on.

It is a very complicated thing to learn and the volunteers must be extremely careful. First of all, the patient's heart must be stopped when using the program. If not, the volunteer may harm it by working against the normal functions of the working heart. The heart needs a great amount of pressure to get it working again; but the improper methods of massage could result in breaking the patient's ribs and lead to complications such as punctured lung. The volunteers must practice the massage and breathing until they attain a certain rhythm. In order to survive, the patient must have the massage and artificial respiration at a rate of about 60 per minute.

Conestoga College is the only educational institution in Canada right now to use this system, thanks to David Fries.

As a nurse in Kitchener, he felt that Conestoga should have the Code Blue program because of its distance from a hospital. (It's at least 15 minutes to St. Mary's.)

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